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March 15, 2010

**TO:** Each Supervisor

**FROM:** John F. Schunhoff, Ph.D.   
Interim Director

**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
SERVICES' USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO  
EXECUTE HOSPITAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH  
VETERANS ADMINISTRATION**

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This is to advise your Board that the Department of Health Services (DHS), under its delegated authority approved on October 16, 2007, has successfully completed negotiations of a Hospital Services Agreement for Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (Rancho) with the U.S. Veterans Administration (VA), with intent to execute the Agreement by March 29, 2010.

This new Hospital Services Agreement, effective May 1, 2010 through April 30, 2011, includes a fee structure that covers the cost for services. The negotiated contract rates are on file with DHS and kept confidential in accordance with Health and Safety Code Section 1457.

County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office have reviewed and approved execution of the Agreement.

If you have any questions and need additional information, please contact me, or Carol Meyer, Chief Network Officer at (213) 240-8370.

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